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SUBJECT: 63RD ECOSOC: PLENARY DEBATE JULY 7

1. FOLLOWING ARE HIGHLIGHTS OF STATEMENTS MADE IN ECOSOC PLENARY  
JULY 7;

2. UNDP - ADMINISTRATOR MORSE GAVE UPBEAT ASSESSMENT OF UNDP'S  
PROSPECTS NOTING THAT ORGANIZATION HAS "ENERGED" FROM SHORT-TERM  
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES AND THAT GC HAD "SUCCESSFULLY BEGUN" PRO-  
CESS TO STRENGTHEN UNDP'S DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS. ALSO EXPRESSED  
ENCOURAGEMENT THAT WORLD HAS BEGUN TO MOVE TOWARD A "MORE BAL-  
ANCED, JUST AND EQUITABLE ECONOMIC SYSTEM" AND THAT "PSYCHOLOGI-  
CAL OBSTACLES TO ACTION AGAINST GROTESQUE DISPARITIES IN WEALTH  
... THE DEHUMANIZING CONDITION OF BILLION FELLOW HUMAN BEINGS  
...THE DULL, DREAD MISERY CONFRONTING SO MANY CHILDREN" BEING  
OVERCOME. MORSE SAID UNDP FOLLOWING THE WORK OF RESTRUCTURING  
COMMITTEE WITH INTEREST AND WORKING HARD TO KEEP PROGRAM ABREAST  
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OF CHANGING DEMANDS. HE CALLED TCDC AS EXCITING EXAMPLE OF KIND  
OF CHANGE AND RESTRUCTURING NOW NEEDED. MORSE ALSO REPORTED  
BRIEFLY ON DECISIONS TAKEN AT 24TH GOVERNING COUNCIL CITING IN  
PARTICULAR COUNCIL'S REAFFIRMATION OF UNDP'S ROLE AS "THE CENTRAL  
FUNDING BODY FOR TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN UN SYSTEM, "ITS  
REQUEST TO HIM TO INVITE INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS TO DISCUSS BUR-  
DEN SHARING, AND ITS APPEAL TO GOVERNMENTS TO AVOID CREATION OF

NEW FUNDS SO THAT COHERENCE OF THE SYSTEM COULD BE BETTER MAINTAINED. HE EXPRESSED ENCOURAGEMENT OVER COUNCIL'S "MANDATE" AND PROMISED TO GIVE ALL DIRECTIVES HE HAD RECEIVED "IN FULL CONSULTATION, COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIP" WITH SPECIALIZED AGENCIES.

3. ICAO - SYG REPORTED ON THE ACHIEVEMENTS MADE IN THE FIELD OF AVIATION OVER THE PAST YEAR, CITING REVENUE INCREASES, PARTICULARLY IN DEVELOPING REGIONS, REGIONAL COOPERATION, TECHNICAL PROGRESS, AND THE INCREASINGLY HIGH LEVEL OF SAFETY IN AIR TRAVEL.

4. IAEA - REP SPOKE ON NUCLEAR ENERGY, CLAIMING THAT NUCLEAR POWER CREATES A LESSER RISK THAN OTHER MODERN TECHNOLOGIES AND OFFERS AN IMMEDIATE ENERGY SUBSTITUTE FOR MORE EXPENSIVE, DEPLETABLE, AND OFTEN IMPORTED ENERGY RESOURCES SUCH AS OIL. HE SAID THAT MANY COUNTRIES WERE IN THE PROCESS OF EXPANDING THEIR NUCLEAR ENERGY POTENTIAL BECAUSE "THEY HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE" IN THE COMING ENERGY CRISIS, AND THAT THIS SITUATION CREATES AN INCENTIVE FOR INTERNATIONAL ADMINISTRATION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY.

5. OAS - REP SPOKE ON THE SERIOUS ECONOMIC PROBLEMS FACING LATIN AMERICA AND COMPLAINED ABOUT REDUCTIONS IN AID FROM IDA AND WORLD BANK.SORENSEN

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